

33 The data format for an example response to the "CheckForAnnotations" request is listed below. The example response indicates that two communities (France 98 and Cranberries) annotated "http://www.microsoft.com".

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 31, line 14, to read as follows:

34 The data format for an example response to the "GetAnnotationTypes" request is listed below. The example response indicates there are two threaded messages, one chat and no file libraries associated with "http://www.microsoft.com" in the community "50" space.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 33, line 1, to read as follows:

35 The data format for an example response to the "GetAnnotationHeaders" request is listed below. The example response indicates that there are two threaded messages associated with "http://www.microsoft.com" that were annotated by community 50. Their headers are included in the response.

In the Claims:

36 sub 17. (Amended) A computing system for scalably managing annotations, the computing system comprising:

- a tier III server to store data for the annotations;
- a tier II server to maintain an index of the data for the annotations stored on the tier III server; and
- a tier I server to determine if a content source has data indexed by the tier II server, wherein the tier I server is separate and distinct from the tier II server.

37 sub 18. (Amended) A scalable computerized method of posting an annotation, the method comprising:

- sending an annotation post from a client to a tier III server;
- storing a portion of the annotation on the tier III server;